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The Union Game

FINE SHOWING BY VARSITY

Last Friday evening the first home basketball game, between Union and the Varsity, was played in the Gym. Hamilton showed herself from the outset far superior to her opponents, though greatly handicapped by the loss of Capt. Smith, who was laid up with a wrenched knee. Bate, '08, filled the vacancy admirably.

The game started with a rush, and almost immediately Hamilton found the basket. Throughout the first half the ball was seldom out of the Varsity's hands, the score at the end of the first half standing 31-11 to the Varsity's credit.

For the greater part of the second half the conditions were the same. Towards the end of the second half the Varsity became over-confident and gave the visitors a chance to even up with them, but at the end picked up considerably. The final score was 44-17 in Hamilton's favor.

The stars of the game were Allen, '11, and Sherwin, '10. Allen throwing three goals from difficult angles. Roenke, '09, though showing rather poor form, was conspicuous for his charging and breaking up passes; Sherwin was good in his floor work, also throwing several baskets; Welch exhibited skill in team work, but was unfortunate in his attempts at the basket.

The teams lined up as follows:

HAMILTON 44.		UNION 17.
	Right Forward	
Allen		Buck
	Left Forward	
Welch		Anderson (Clowe)
	Center	
Sherwin		Hequemberg
	Right Guard	
Roenke (Henderson)		Brown (Leon)
	Left Guard	
Bate (Wilson)		Starbuck (Capt.)

Referee—Sicard, '06; Umpire—A. King, Union, '08; Timekeepers—Cody and White, '08; Time of halves—20 minutes.

The Herkimer Concert

The Musical Clubs gave their first winter-term concert in Herkimer, Friday night. It was a much greater success than might have been expected, considering the limited time which the clubs have had to practice since vacation. The program differed but slightly from that of the Utica concert. In the Glee Club an omission of some of the vaudeville portion of the Utica concert had been recommended and this was acted upon in the Herkimer concert. The Instrumental Club has changed one of its numbers and also its membership in such a way that it is now made up of string instruments only.

The program of the concert was as follows:

1. Mulligan's Musketeers, Glee Club; 2. Miss Dixie, Instrumental Club; 3. Sort of an "Olio," Mr. Simmons and Mr. Sarles; 4. The Little Irish Girl, Mr. Hastings and Mandolin Quintette; 5. Shoulder Straps, Instrumental Club; 6. 1908 Tutti-Frutti, Glee and Instrumental Clubs; 7. Opus 231. Das Schone Garten, Mr. Weekes and Glee Club; 8. The "Foolish Four," Messrs. Simmons, Hastings, Spencer and White; 9. The Jolly Blacksmith's Lay, Glee Club; 10. A Love Episode in Birdland, (a) The Broken-hearted Sparrow (b) The Merry Lark, Instrumental Club; 11. 1908 Campus Medley, Glee Club; 12. Carissima, Glee Club.

The Colgate Game

Last Tuesday evening at Hamilton, the Varsity basketball team was defeated by the Colgate University five in a close and fast contest by the score of 34 to 27. The score indicates, in a measure, the closeness of the game, but it does not tell of the uphill fight the Varsity made in the second half. Owing to an attack of stage fright, on the part of our team, our opponents were allowed to get a comfortable lead, during the first half, which they succeeded in maintaining throughout the game. In the second half, however, we scored 20 points to their 10. The form in this half was more the team's usual form than that showed in the first. Both teams were slightly handicapped by the absence of the respective captains, Smith being out of the game for the Varsity, while Captain Coster was unable to play for Colgate on account of a dislocated elbow. Wilson, '09, and Sherwin, '10, did the best all round work for the Varsity. Acting captain Welch threw several spectacular baskets, one from the center of the floor. Roenke, '09, and Allen, '11, did excellent pass work, but were unable to gauge the basket in their usual style. For Colgate, Moore played the best game, being a tower of strength in every department of play. The score in detail, is as follows:

COLGATE 34.		HAMILTON 27.
	Right Forward	
Campbell (DeBeuklear)		Allen
	Left Forward	
S. Green		Welch (Capt.)
	Center	
Shepardson		Sherwin
	Right Guard	
Moore		Wilson
	Left Guard	
Whelan (Capt.)		Roenke

Goals from field: Moore 5, Green 3, Whelan 2, Campbell 3, DeBeuklear, Shepardson, Welch 5, Sherwin 3, Allen 2, Roenke, Wilson. Goals from fouls, Allen 3, Green 4. Referee—Roberts, Colgate. Umpire—Williams, Hamilton. Timekeepers—Lynn and Houseman. Time of halves—20 minutes.

Interclass Basketball

The first two of the series of interclass games were played in the Gym, Thursday evening. The first one call-

ed was the Senior-Junior, which was won by the latter by the score of 29-8. Considered from all sides, it was a rather slow contest in which 1908 was clearly outclassed. The Juniors won mainly by their superior team work, although at times they played six men to perfect this. For the Seniors, Jones and Bate played the best games, while Wilson and Roenke surpassed for the Juniors. The line-up follows:

SENIORS 8		JUNIORS 29.
	Right Forward	
Jones (Capt.)		Roenke
	Left Forward	
Bate		Butler
	Center	
Fitch		Osborn
	Right Guard	
Weekes		Wilson (Capt.)
	Left Guard	
Simmons		Hopkins

Referee — Williams, '08. Umpire — Sicard, '06. Time of halves — 15 minutes.

The second game, between the Sophomores and Freshmen, however, was a far different exhibition of basketball. Closely contested from start to finish, each team held its own, although the Freshmen had the best of it by 4 points at the end of the first half. The Sophomores started in fast in the second half and soon evened up the score. When time was called the score was 13 to 13. In the five minutes of play following, Sherwin threw a foul, but Allen broke loose for a basket, winning the game for 1911.

The line-up follows:

SOPHOMORES 14.		FRESHMEN 15.
	Right Forward	
Judson		Gardner
	Left Forward	
Burns (Capt.)		Nixon
	Center	
Sherwin		Allen (Capt.)
	Right Guard	
Glover		Getman
	Left Guard	
Wheeler (Hastings)		Sidle

Referee — Williams, '08. Umpire — Sicard, '06. Time of halves — 15 minutes.

Basketball Schedule

January	10	Union 17	Hamilton 44
"	14	Colgate 34	Hamilton 27
"	24	Cornell	at Ithaca
February	1	Rochester	at Rochester
"	7	Rochester	at Clinton
"	14	Oberlin	"
"	19	Union	at Schenectady
"	20	Williams	at Williamstown
"	21	Rutgers	at New Brunswick
"	22	C. C. N. Y.	at New York
"	28	N. Y. University	at Clinton
March	6	Colgate	"

The New York Banquet

The Hamilton Alumni of New York gathered at the Hotel Astor, Tuesday night, for their regular winter "home festival." The Rev. Anthony Evans, '82, was toastmaster. At his right was President Stryker. Among those present were Harlan Page Lloyd, Norman J. Marsh, Samuel F. Engs, Dr. Asahel N. Brockway, James S. Greves, Dr. Walter Barnard Winchell, Rev. James H. Hoadley, Elihu Root, jr., and Samuel Hopkins Adams.

Pres. Stryker spoke and made plain that whatever pressure might be brought to bear to make Hamilton very much different than it is, would meet with his determined opposition.

"I am well aware," said Pres. Stryker, 'that under the present athletic spur, there is a constantly growing demand for a crowd at Hamilton. I am receiving a lot of advice, mostly from outsiders, as to how to make Hamilton a technical school, a school of mines, a conservatory of music, a coeducational college. But I would rather have one hundred men up there and have the old College as it used to be than three hundred and something else. If that comes, I will retire."

The Baseball Schedule

Manager Love has arranged the following schedule of games for the baseball season of 1908. These games and dates are approved by the faculty.

May 2.	St. Lawrence U.	at Clinton.
May 5.	Hobart College	at Clinton.
May 9.	Colgate U.	at Hamilton.
May 13.	Syracuse U.	at Syracuse.
May 15.	Union U.	at Clinton.
May 19.	Hobart College	at Geneva.
May 20.	Rochester U.	at Rochester.
May 28.	Wesleyan U.	at Middletown.
May 29.	Pratt Institute	at Brooklyn.
May 30.	Union U.	at Schenectady.
June 3.	Colgate U.	at Clinton.
June 6.	Rochester U.	at Clinton.

In addition to these twelve games, there will be two practice games at Clinton with the Utica State League Team and one in Utica.

Freshman Statistics

"Uncle John" has finished taking the physical measurements of the Freshmen and the following are the resulting statistics:

Average age, 17 yrs. 7 mo.
Average height, 5 ft. 8 in.
Average weight, 138.43 lbs.
Oldest man, Robinson, 24 yrs.
Youngest man, Willard, 16 yrs. 11 mo.
Tallest man, Westcott, 6 ft. 2.8 in.
Shortest man, Fawcett, 5 ft. 3.8 in.
Heaviest man, Wisehart, 180 lbs.
Lightest man, Fawcett, 98 lbs.
Best man at pullups, Bell, 13 times.
Best man at dips, Bell, 15 times.
Best grip, 51 kilograms.
Best lift, Sidle, 320 kilograms.
Lung strength, Bell, 310 grams.
Lung capacity, Westcott and Wilder each 370 cu. in.
Chest expansion, Soper and Gardner, each 4.8 in.
Arm stretch, Westcott, 6 ft 4 in.
Number taught to swim, 11.

Exchanges

—In the "Binghamton Panorama," the student publication of Binghamton High School, there appears in a recent number, which is styled a "University Number," an article by Dr. Stryker, treating of "Life in a Small College." The article is written in Dr. Stryker's inimitable style and is an excellent inducement to enter Hamilton. It is a noteworthy contribution to the paper.

In the same issue there appears also an article by McLean, '09, dealing directly with "Life at Hamilton." McLean evidently prepared his work with care and the result is a finished product in its literary style. In a high school paper it would no doubt exert a powerful influence for the increasing of Hamilton's student body. Viewed from every standpoint, it cannot fail to be of material benefit to the College.

—The Paulosta Football League, of San Paulo, Brazil, has asked the Cornell Association Football Team to go to Brazil for a series of games, next June or July, and says that the popularity of the game in Brazil assures the Cornell team a large profit. The offer is due to the fact that there are several South Americans on the team. No decision has been reached in the matter.

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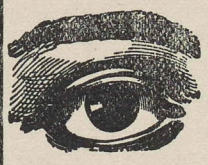

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ONE OF THE greatest advantages which Hamilton offers to her students is training in all forms of public speaking. So well and thoroughly has this been done, that Hamilton has become famous as a school of public speaking and Hamilton men are everywhere recognized as finished and accomplished speakers. This is as it should be. But sometimes in the regular rhetorical exercises we notice a spirit of indifference to the benefits of the training and a desire to get through the required work as easily as possible. This feeling usually results in a poor appearance that shows evidence of lack of preparation. The harm in this is two fold. Not only does the student not derive all the potential advantage from the appearance but he also lowers the standard of the college rhetoricals. And this is something which we, as the student body of the college, cannot permit to exist. This sentiment, we are glad to be able to say, does not exist very generally, but it crops out occasionally in a poorly prepared appearance. Like all other objectionable phases of college life, it should be nipped in the bud. We ought to have none of this feeling toward the rhetorical work. Let us see that there is none.

WINTER TERM has begun and the delightful Junior week will soon be at hand. While we all enjoy this occasion, we ought to think to some extent of our guests. It has been the custom in the past to have at least forty dances at the Prom, so that it is prolonged until late in the morning. Upon consideration, would it not be better to shorten this event to a reasonable length? Everyone would enjoy the fraternity dances more Friday evening, so that by this means those events would be more of a success — granted that the pleasure of the guests is the measure of success. It is not reasonable to ask our lady friends to dance to such an hour, to say nothing of ourselves. If the most important occurrence of the week is shortened, it is very probable that the fraternity formals will also stop earlier. In this way the dances will be much more enjoyed and the "morning after" feeling done away with. LIFE hopes that the committee in charge of the Prom. this year will at least consider this matter, and discuss fully its merits or defects.

Dr. Davenport Honored

Dr. Davenport was entertained at luncheon at the White House, Monday. He was one of fifteen of the country's most eminent authorities on Economics, whom the President had called together to discuss whether Supreme Court judges should be liable to criticism.

Y. M. C. A. Notes

Mr. T. H. Sailer, '89, of Princeton, who is now on the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, spoke in the Y. M. C. A. on Sunday afternoon directly after Chapel. His discussion of Foreign Missions was very instructive and inspiring. Mr. Sailer is interested in the Student Volunteer Movement.

A Mission Study class is to be organized this term and will be conducted by Weekes, '08. This class will meet Sunday afternoons at about three o'clock and will give particular attention to settlement work.

The regular student meeting will be held tomorrow at noon.

Football Prospects

Though it is a long time before next Fall, the wealth of prospects that we have for our coming football season makes a slight prophecy justifiable. It is true that we lose five good men in Holley, White, Williams, McLean and Kellogg, but the ability of the majority of these was the product of four years' consistent plugging on the gridiron, and through like method we should naturally have men to fill their places. H. C. Thomas, as captain, will begin the season with more experienced material than Holley did this year. With Thomas at center, H. P. Osborn, '09, Glover, '10, and Wisehart, '11, supporting him, we have with these men alone a good basis for line optimism, let alone the bonanza of Freshman talent that the prophets promise us. We will have the veteran ends of this year — Wilson, '09, and Leavenworth, '10 — and these two finish off the line forecast in good form. In the backfield we have Sidle, '11, much improved over last year by an increase in confidence and experience, and besides him we have young Abbott, as elusive as ever, and the smashing Jones, '11. Burdick, '11, should solve the quarterback problem — our only serious one — in good shape.

As to the coach, it is entirely too early to say anything definite. Crook is a possibility, Watson, who coached the team so successfully in 1905, is a possibility, Pryor, captain last year of Brown, is another possibility, and Cook, last year's captain of Cornell, is still another, as is also Lamont, of Williams. But they are all possibilities and will not blossom into probabilities for some time yet.

The schedule too is as yet in embryo. However, it has been almost finally decided that we play Syracuse in the first College game of the season, thus attacking them before they are

fortified in their stronghold of good training and team-work. The following Saturday we will play Cornell. It is their first game, and the same disadvantages that Syracuse will have had, we shall probably find to our advantage in the Cornell team. This will be the first time we will have been able to play Cornell on a Saturday.

Notices

Manager of Wrestling, McCarthy, announces that there will be a meeting of all men interested in wrestling, at 1:30 Monday, in the chapel. At this time plans for the coming season will be discussed and arrangements will be made for interclass matches.

The Freshman basketball team will play the Colgate Freshman five tonight in the Gym. Everyone out to support the team.

Junior Whist

Junior Whist was entertained Wednesday night by the Psi of Psi Upsilon. Nearly the whole class was present and a rousing time was given everyone. The game of the evening was whist. When the cards had been laid aside a good feed was brought out, consisting of coffee, sandwiches, ice cream and cake. The rest of the evening was spent in sitting around the fire and having a fine sing. The elections were not held at this meeting, but will probably be pulled off at the next. About twelve o'clock the party broke up with a yell for the Psi U's.

ALUMNIANA

'57. Dr. A. N. Brockway, secretary of the Class of '57, has issued in pamphlet form a report of the class semi-centennial held last commencement. The report covers 24 pages and shows most careful work on the part of Dr. Brockway.

'74. The appointment of A. E. Blackmar as Justice of the Supreme Court, to succeed Justice Willard Bartlett, who was elected on both tickets last fall as an Associate Judge of the Court of Appeals, was confirmed by the State Senate, Monday. The confirmation, though stubbornly opposed by the Democratic minority on the ground that the appointment was a violation of the theory of non-partisanship in selecting candidates for the judiciary, was finally made by a vote of 133 to 15.

'75. Principal M. H. Benedict, of Elmira, N. Y., was elected secretary and treasurer of the Principals' Association, which held its meeting in Syracuse, N. Y., during the Christmas vacation.

Fred Dick, formerly of the Normal School, Denver, Col., is now managing the Colorado Teachers' Agency, with headquarters in Denver and branch offices in Harrisburg, Pa., and Atlanta, Ga.

'76. Prof. Philip M. Hull, the state institute conductor, presided over the Teachers' Institute held last week in Utica.

'77. Rev. Frank D. Budlong has accepted a call to St. Martin's Episcopal Church, Dorchester, Mass.

'81. Clinton Scollard delivered a most interesting lecture before the Monday Afternoon Club of Binghamton, on "The Humorous Elements in Modern Poetry."

'88. Hon A. R. Kessinger mayor of the city of Rome, for his second term, is attracting special attention for his non-partisan and business-like administration.

'94. Rev. David L. Roberts has been chosen pastor of the Mexico, N. Y., Presbyterian Church and has already assumed the position.

96. F. P. Knowlton is acting head of the department of physiology in the Medical College at Syracuse.

'97. Robert G. MacGregor is now pastor of the North Avenue Presbyterian Church of New Rochelle.

Dr. J. E. Sweet is now Professor of Experimental Surgery in the Medical College of Pennsylvania.

'98. Byron C. Turnbull is in charge of extensive engineering work in Florida, and is considered an expert in this line. He has lately had a flattering offer from the New York Central Railroad to assume an important position on its engineering corps.

'99. James B. Hopkins is Instructor in Romance Languages at Lafayette.

Ralph W. Stone spent the entire summer at the head of the U. S. Government Geological Survey party about the Crary Mts. of Montana.

Frederick H. Cunningham, of New York, has recently been appointed counsel to the State Department of Labor.

'00. Prof. G. R. Thompson, principal of Mechanicville High School, exhibited his loyalty by bringing one of his students to see the College at the opening of this term. Mr. Thompson persuaded the sub-freshman to enter.

'02. Dr. F. H. Church has just been appointed to the Staff of the General Hospital in Utica.

Chas. G. Signor, and the law firm of which he is a partner, Hall, Signor and Griffith, have established offices at 550 Ellicott Square, Buffalo.

Charles F. Seiter, of the U. S. Revenue Cutter Service, was on the Hill Monday. He has just been stationed at Tompkinsville, Staten Island.

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COLLEGE NOTES

— Bell, '11, has left College.

— The Musical Clubs will give a concert in Auburn on Feb. 21st.

— Daly, '11, has returned to his home in Denver for a few weeks.

— Maroon and Gray have been selected as the Freshman class colors.

— Work has been begun on the bowling alley in the cellar of Commons.

— Junior Prom. will be held on the evening of Feb. 27. Perry & Wilcox, of Ilion, will furnish music.

— Prof. Miller has leased the N. L. Hayes residence on Williams Street and will occupy it early in the spring.

— "Uncle John" sustained a severe loss in the burning of one of his houses at Niagara Falls, Ont., last week.

— At the Sixth Meeting of the Farmers' Club, which is to be held next Friday, Prof. Babcock will speak on "Forests and Forestry."

— Topic cards for Freshman Prayer Meetings were distributed Thursday morning.

— Extensive repairs to the old Root homestead which was recently purchased by Hon. Elihu Root, are in progress.

— Prof. Davenport will give the fifth of a series of lectures Tuesday night on "The American Method of Public Control of Railways."

— The standing in the Freshman LIFE competition is as follows: Mitchell, Parry, Anibal, Sidle, Gouge, Riley, Flagler, Day, Martin, Westcott and Willard.

— Manager Soper, of the Musical Clubs, was absent from the Hill the latter part of last week, making the final arrangements for the northern trip which will begin in early February.

— Prof. Davenport spoke in Rome, Sunday, at the first of a series of men's meetings held under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. The subject was "Three Distinguishing Qualities of Christian Life."

— Among the valuable books, periodicals and pamphlets recently given to the Kirkland Town Library by F. E. Merritt, of Utica, were the Hamilton College Catalogs of 1843, 1853 and 1854.

— The "D. T.'s" will witness the performance of Robert Edeson in "Classmates" at the Majestic, Monday evening. This is the first of a series of theatre parties to be held by this society during the present term.

— The question for Senior-Junior Debate has been changed and now reads, "Resolved, That the recent financial panic was caused by our currency system." As customary, the Juniors will have the choice of sides. The date of the debate is Jan. 31st.

— The men who were out for the last basketball practice will report at the Gym. as follows: Saturday at 2 o'clock, Monday at 3 o'clock, Tuesday at 5 o'clock, Wednesday at 3 o'clock and Thursday at 7:30 o'clock.

— The Musical Clubs will appear in Rome on Tuesday, Feb. 11th. The management wishes to state that all men desiring to attend this concert will be given free transportation to and from Rome. Those desiring to take advantage of this offer should see Soper, '08, before Jan 31st.

ALUMNIANA

'02. Prof. Dewey T. Hawley read a paper before the principals' meeting at Syracuse during Christmas vacation.

Principal Frank D. Warren lately delivered an address before the Parents and Teachers' Association in Utica, on "Lift Where You Stand," and attracted much favorable attention and comment.

Prof. Robert L. Weaver is principal of the high school at Churchville, N. Y.

'03. Announcement is made of the engagement of Miss Edith MacSead, of Nova Scotia, to R. E. Morris.

'03. Rev. Albert C. Busch is pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Cold Springs, N. Y.

Vernon C. Devotie is now in the East selling to his friends and customers gilt-edged bonds on Colorado mining property.

'04. Charles H. Toll has recently been appointed to a John Harvard Fellowship at Harvard.

The engagement of Miss Mary C. Chapin, of Mount Vernon, N. Y., to Albert S. Davis is announced.

'05. The marriage of Edward C. MacIntyre and Miss Florence Scofield took place in Johnstown, Dec. 19th. Raymond D. Eysaman, '05, of Little Falls, was best man.

'06. George N. Fake is with the Doe Run Lead Co., at Bonne Terre, Missouri.

'07. K. A. Sprague will soon leave for Georgia where he will be employed in the interests of the Binghamton Lumber Company.

A. H. Child, '05, and A. B. Maynard, '06, have made a rich strike of gold in Mexico. They report that they have stumbled onto the mother vein of that region. Their find was rather unexpected as they were looking especially for copper. The mine is located in Sonora.

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